

Pick Your Own Pumpkin FAQs

What to wear?

Please check the weather forecast and wear sensible clothing for being outdoors. We recommend wellington boots, even if it isn't raining when you visit.

Are dogs allowed?

Unfortunately not, the pumpkin patch is classed as a food production area by Trading Standards.

Well behaved dogs on leads are allowed in Rebecca's Kitchen garden and undercover outdoor seating.

Is PYO pumpkins accessible for wheelchair and prams?

There are no slopes to the pumpkin patch and the ground is relatively flat, however with the changing weather conditions there is no guarantee that conditions underfoot will stay suitable for pushing around the patch.

How long can I stay in PYO pumpkins?

Your timeslot is for your arrival time. There is no time limit, all we ask is that you have left the patch and paid for your pumpkins by the time the patch closes.

Do carers need a ticket?

If you are visiting solely in a professional capacity to assist someone you are employed to care for, you do not need to book a ticket for yourself, just for the person you care for. After booking, please reply to your confirmation email to inform us that you will be accompanying them as part of the booking and please bring your ID on the day of the visit.

What else is available on site at Malt Kiln Farm Shop?

Our farm shop, offers a wide range of produce, including a deli and butchers counter, as well as a plant centre. Additionally, our onsite coffee shop Rebecca's Kitchen, offers delicious cakes and meals, plus afternoon teas that can be booked in advance. There is also an outdoor seating area and a play area, including our tractor shed.

When is the best time to visit PYO Pumpkins?

The earlier in the season the better. You'll have the first pick of the patch and everything looks fresher, with most of the plant vegetation still green. This allows you to see exactly how the pumpkin grows. Additionally, the earlier you come in the season the less muddy the patch will be.

How long will a pumpkin last?

Most uncarved pumpkins should last two to three months. We cannot make any guarantees how long your pumpkin will last once it's left the site.

Where to store an uncarved pumpkin?

The best place to store your pumpkin is in a cool, dark and dry place such as a garage, to get the most life out of it.

Professional Photography

If you are wanting to hold photoshoots in the patch please get in touch with us, farmshop@malkilnfarmshop.co.uk

Terms and conditions

Upon purchasing your ticket, you agree to respect the patch, our staff and produce. If caught breaching this for example throwing pumpkins, you will be immediately asked to leave. There is a great amount of time and effort that goes into PYO pumpkins every year, from growing them to creating our photo ops, please enjoy the patch but don't disrespect our efforts.

Bookings are non-refundable and cannot be rearranged.

The patch is open all weathers, we do not offer transfers or cancellations.

Dogs are not permitted in the pumpkin patch, except guide dogs.

The entry ticket does not include a pumpkin or money off produce you pick in the patch.

Pumpkins cannot be refunded once they have left the site. They are living vegetables and we cannot guarantee how long they will last for.